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For : LOW AIR-PERMEABILITY FLEXIBLE POLYURETHANE FOAM  
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1. PCT International Application No. PCT/GB80/00072, filed April 28, 1980 International Publication No. WO 80/02427, published November 13, 1980 (**Exhibit 1**);
2. Japanese Publication No. 57-31976, published February 20, 1982 (**Exhibit 2**);
3. Japanese Publication No. 57-102978, published June 26, 1982 (**Exhibit 3**);
4. Japanese Publication No. 3-68677, published March 21, 1991 (**Exhibit 4**);
5. Japanese Publication No. 5-8211 B2, published February 1,

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6.   Japanese Publication No. 7-109369, published April 25, 1995  
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7.   Japanese Publication No. 7-109370, published April 25, 1995  
**(Exhibit 7)**;
8.   Japanese Publication No. 7-188644, published July 25, 1995  
**(Exhibit 8)**;
9.   Japanese Publication No. 8-59776, published March 5, 1996  
**(Exhibit 9)**;
10.   Japanese Publication No. 8-92404, published April 9, 1996  
**(Exhibit 10)**;
11.   Japanese Publication No. 9-53061, published February 25, 1997  
**(Exhibit 11)**;
12.   Japanese Publication No. 10-25327, published January 27, 1998  
**(Exhibit 12)**; and
13.   International Preliminary Examination Report and English translation thereof in connection with PCT International Application No. PCT/JP02/00891, filed February 4, 2002  
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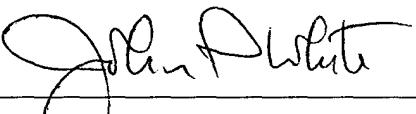
The above references 1-12 were cited in a search report issued in connection with the international priority of the subject application. A copy of the search report is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

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